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1. (Unclassified - BAO) [REDACTED], PFIAB staff, called and wanted to know if we could help her update the list of members on the Agency's four oversight committees. I provided [REDACTED] with the information.

2. (Internal Use Only - PLC) Jim Kronfeld, Counsel, House Government Operations Subcommittee on Government Information and Individual Rights, called to alert us that Chairman Bella S. Abzug (D., N. Y.) will request the Director to appear next Thursday, 27 February, before the Subcommittee. The subject will be the Agency's exemption in the Privacy Act of 1974. Chairman Abzug has introduced legislation (H.R. 2635) to strike the exemption. The hearing will be investigatory and open, and the Director will be placed under oath. I discussed with Kronfeld the basic position of the Agency to seek an exemption for intelligence sources and methods if the exemption for all CIA files is struck. Kronfeld thought this approach would be best. He offered to work out with me any suitable language to amend the Act along these lines.

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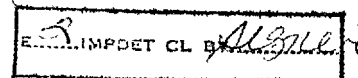
3. (Internal Use Only - PLC) Called Duke Short, Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Internal Security, and informed him that we had no information concerning the individual in whom he was interested [REDACTED], according to recent news reports, is coming to the U. S. to visit her real father).

4. (Confidential - GLC) Talked with Chairman Lucien Nedzi, Intelligence Subcommittee, House Armed Services Committee, about the House Select Committee on Intelligence Activities. See Memo for Record.

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5. (Unclassified - JMD) Gary Burhop, in the office of Senator Bill Brock, called and asked for professional brochures and application forms for a constituent. [REDACTED] will send these out.

6. (Unclassified - JMD) Jeff Yurdin, office of Representative Robert Kasten, called and asked for a copy of the "statutes" book. A copy of "Guide to CIA Statutes and Law" will be delivered to Mr. Yurdin.

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7. (Confidential - GLC) Called Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and checked to be sure he had all he wanted for today's briefing. He said he did. I said that Jack Iams, Comptroller, will have the copies of the budget statement for tomorrow's briefing when he comes up tomorrow. Preston wants to be sure that the Director makes no mention of the fact that Preston sent us a copy of the questions to be asked at today's briefing. I assured him he would not.

Preston called later to say that CBS-TV was after the Chairman to let them in the briefing this afternoon. The Chairman has not given them a flat no. He is going to take it up with the Committee this morning. I told Preston that the Director would abide by the Chairman's desires, but as he knew, TV coverage sometimes turns a hearing into a three-ring circus with members playing to the TV audience. Preston said he would try to "throw some cold water" on it.

Preston called again later and said the CBS-TV people would be there. He also wanted to know who would be coming with me. I told him the Director, John Clarke and myself.

8. (Unclassified - GLC) Accompanied the Director and John Clarke to an open session of the Defense Appropriations Subcommittee on the subject of domestic activities. See Memo for Record.

9. (Unclassified - PLC) Bill Hogan, Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, called. Representative Joseph L. Fisher (D., Va.), a new Member, asked Hogan to look into a letter Fisher received from a former CIA employee who wants the cost-of-living increases for the Civil Service retirement system applied to CIARDS. I confirmed with Hogan that we had secured legislation, P. L. 93-210, which does apply cost-of-living adjustments to CIARDS. He will so advise Representative Fisher.

10. (Internal Use Only - PLC) Left with Diana Kelley in the office of Representative Robert J. Lagomarsino (R., Calif.) a reply from the Agency concerning a request from a constituent as to whether the Agency had in any way surveilled him. The constituent had also written a similar letter to Representative Alphonzo Bell (R., Calif.), which was referred by that office to Representative Thomas M. Rees (D., Calif.). A copy of our reply was left with Ms. Scott in Representative Rees' office. A reply to a similar request from a constituent was left with Betty Scott in the office of Senator Harrison A. Williams (D., N. J.).

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